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CHARACTER & OUTLINE

Misha

Kotarou's mysterious neighbour. She's an angel.

Sasha

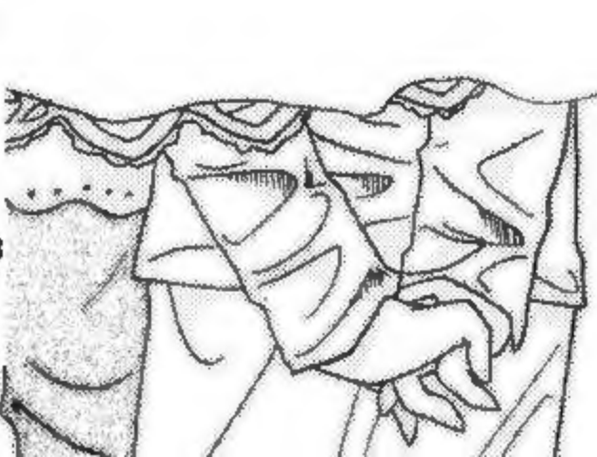
Misha's older sister and also an angel. Has some objections against Kotarou being around Misha.

Higuchi Kotarou

He's quite a cool sixth-grade boy. His mother died in a car accident.

The story so far...

Kotarou is in the sixth grade and his entrance examination is approaching. His mother died when he was young. Ever since then he has lived alone with his very busy father and leads a normal, peaceful life. However he has a new neighbour - Misha and another girl who moved in with her, the mysterious Shia with her black kitty. Kotarou had barely begun to get used to his new neighbours, when Shia was suddenly seized by an attack and kissed him...



Uematsu Koboshi
Kotarou's classmate. Had been in love with him since the first grade...
Ayanokoji Takashi
Kotarou's calssmate and the #1 ranked primary school student in Japan!
Mitarai Hiroshi
Kotarou's classmate. He regards Ten-chan as his rival. Ten-chan calls him Poo-chan.
Shia
A demon. She found what had been missing from her memory. Shortly after that she fell into an eternal sleep...
Nya
A demon. He accompanied Shia in her search and left the human world after she died.
Kotarou
The son of Tarou and Shima. Misha's first love. Was reincarnated as Higuchi Kotarou in the present.

The story so far continued...

Kotarou fell into a coma but Misha was able to save him. When he woke up he learnt that Shia had dissapeared. At the same time his great-grandfather's illness worsened. He hurried home and met, to his surprise, Shia, whose life force was about to die out. Kotarou traveled with Misha into the childhood days of his great-grandfather and hoped to find help for Shia there.

There they found a boy called Tarou, who was Kotarou's great-grandfather, as well as Shia, who is called 'Shima' at that time though.... His journey to the past allowed Kotarou to learn the truth - that he and Shia are actually related by blood. After Tarou's death Shia promises Kotarou that she will become his 'mother'. But unfortunately she died just when she had wanted to return home with Kotarou...

Kotarou blamed himself for her death and kept his problems to himself. Only Misha was able to cheer him up and he discoverd that he likes her very, very much. But then Sasha sent him a dream in which he saw Misha's past and recognises the real reason why she hangs around him. He then begins to doubt her...

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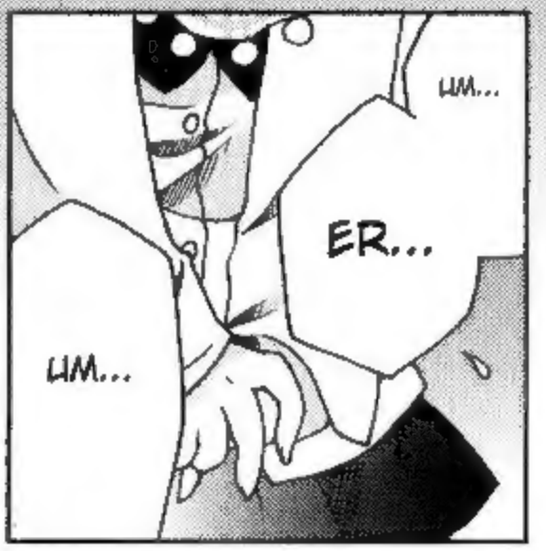
Lesson 43:
How to search for yourself - Part 4

DO YOU...
WANT TO...
G-GO OUT WITH ME?!

...EH...

AH...
EH...
UH...
"GO OUT"?

ER...
WE'VE ALREADY BEEN FRIENDS FOR A LONG TIME...
AND...
UM...


UM...
ER...
UM...

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KOTAROU-CHAN...
THE GIRL THAT YOU LIKE...
I... I...
UM...

I LIKE YOU...
SO...
SFX: HEARTBEAT
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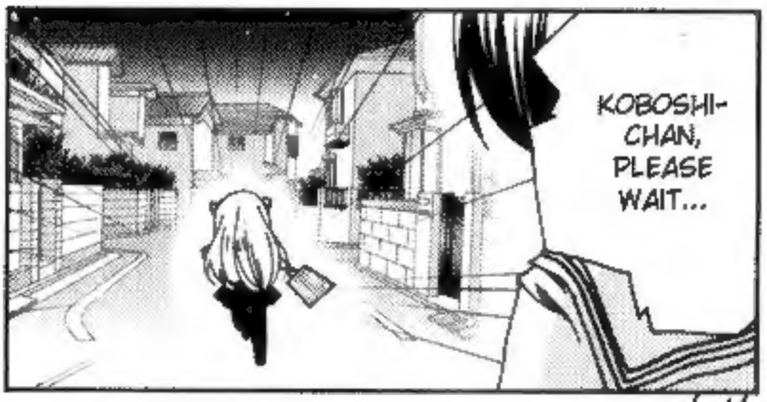
EH?!
AH! AT THE MOMENT...
ER,
I ONLY...
WANTED...
ER...
ONLY WANTED...
.....
.....
AH...
...I'M SORRY
NOW I'M REALLY CONFUSED...

S-SORRY! I SUPRISED YOU, DIDN'T I?
SO OF COURSE YOU'RE CONFUSED! JUST FORGET IT, OKAY?!
WELL...


KOBOSHI-CHAN, PLEASE WAIT...

BYE!
W-WELL THEN... I'LL SEE YOU TOMORROW!
BUT...

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WHAT...

SFX. CLATTER
I'M BACK...
SFX. FLOP
THEN I WOULD HAVE WAITED UNTIL YOU FOUND OUT...
WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED IF I HADN'T FOUND OUT I'M HIS REINCARNATION?

MISHA-SAN...

YOU ID.OT...

I KNOW THAT I'VE SAID TERRIBLE THINGS TO KOTAROU-KUN...
EVEN IF HE HAS THE SAME SOUL, IT'S NOT THE SAME KOTAROU...
SFX: THUD
OKAY...
I'M SO STUPID....
GOOD!
YOU'VE GOT IT
KOTAROU-KUN
YOU'RE NOT THE REINCARNATION
...THE BOOKS ARE HERE!
CONCENTRATE AND STUDY!
I'LL NEVER SEE HIM AGAIN...
AND THE OTHER KOTAROU-KUN...

SFX: SILENCE
I'M LEAVING!
NOW SHE KNOWS...
I'VE MADE IT CLEAR TO HER. .
SFX: CLATTER
AT LEAST SASHA-SAN ISN'T AROUND
GOOD MORNING!
SHE HAS TO STUDY ANYWAY...
GOOD MORNING!

MORNING KOTAROU!
YO!
YESTERDAY THE RESULTS OF MY TRIAL EXAM CAME AND
I DIDN'T DO THAT BADLY!
MORNING TEN-CHAN.
YOU'RE IN REALLY GREAT FORM FOR THE EXAM!
AH, REALLY? HEHE...
WOW...
AND DAD AGREES WITH HER TOO.
MUM SAID THAT I'LL DEFINATELY BE ABLE TO GET INTO A PUBLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL.
DAMN IT
!
UNFORTU-ANTLY I'M NOT THAT CONFIDENT
GOOD LUCK! YOU'LL DEFINATELY DO WELL.
WELL, THEN...

SFX: CLATTER
HELLO POO-CHAN! DID YOU APPLY TO A PUBLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL TOO?
ARGH! I MIGHT HAVE DONE WORSE THAN YOU IN THE TRIAL EXAM...
...BUT THAT WON'T HAPPEN IN THE REAL EXAM!
AH...
SFX: STARE
AH! HEMATSU!
!
...AH...
MORNING!
SFX: SWOOSH
H-HEY!
SFX: BLUSH

"OH IT'S TEN-CHAN?"
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?!
OH... IT'S TEN-CHAN?!
HEY...
WAIT A MINUTE!
KYA—
WAH!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
KYA—
WHAT... WHAT SHOULD I DO...?!
I... I...
TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF SO THAT YOU DON'T GET SICK!
THERE'S ONLY A FEW DAYS LEFT UNTIL THE ENTRANCE EXAM.

MISHA-SAN... SHE'LL NEVER BURST. .
INTO THE CLASSROOM TO DISTRACT ME AGAIN..
I FINALLY GOT RID OF HER!
HMPH! IT'S BETTER THIS WAY! AFTER ALL, I HAVE MY ENTRANCE EXAM SOON.
.....
KOBOSHI-CHAN LIKES ME SO...
I DON'T NEED MISHA-SAN, BUT W THOUT HER... URGH!
HMPH!

SO SHE CONFESSED TO HIM..
EVEN THOUGH SHE KNEW IT WAS A RISK
HMM...
HMM...
.....
IT HAS TO BE SHIA-SAN, RIGHT?
EVEN THOUGH SHE'S DISAPPEARED?
WHO'S LIKELY TO BE THE PERSON THAT KOTAROU LIKES?
I'LL HELP HER!
GOOD! IF IT HAS TO DO WITH MEMATSU
HMPH!
MISHA-SAN COULDN'T POSSIBLY BE THE PERSON KOTAROU LIKES

SFX: THUD
COME ON! IT'S THE NEXT ROUND!
Y-YES ~SU...
IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO REALLY STUDY!
ON TODAY'S TIMETABLE IS STUDYING!
JUST LIKE KOTAROU-KUN..
URGH. I REALLY HAVE TO PULL MYSELF TOGETHER!
THIS IS SO DIFFICULT...

BEFORE EACH TEST, HE STUDIED A LOT...
AND EACH TIME I WAS SCOLDED, BECAUSE I BOTHERED HIM WHEN HE WAS STUDYING...
SFX. SHAKE HEAD
I MUST STUDY!
STOP! THAT'S NOT THE RIGHT KOTAROU-KUN ~SU!
SFX. AH!
I MUST BECOME A REAL ANGEL ~SU!

EXACTLY! WE'LL BOTH MAKE IT!
YOU SHOULD
WHAT DO YOU HAVE
JUST ACCEPT IT ONCE AND FOR ALL! KOTAROU-KUN ISN'T... ISN'T...
WAH! STOP IT ~SU, STOP IT ~SU!

MISHA-SAN...
THAT KOTAROU-KUN IS GONE.
SFX: SCHOOL BELL
SFX: SHAKE HEAD
I HAVE TO STOP THINK-ING ABOUT HER!
HMPH!
IS IT BECAUSE MISHA-SAN'S NOT HERE?
IT'S SO QUIET...

SFX: CRASH
WAH!
KYAAA!
AH...
KOBOSHI-CHAN!
WAHHH!
WAH...
HEH... WHY ARE YOU SO ANGRY? I WAS JUST TRYING TO HELP!
WHY DID YOU PUSH ME?!
NOW I'VE CRASHED INTO KOTAROU-CHAN!!
WHAT'S THAT SUP-POSED TO BE?!

I HAVE TWO COUPONS FOR MEALS AT THE CAFE! THEY'RE ONLY VALID FOR TODAY, SO TAKE HEMATSU THERE AND TALK TO HER!
LISTEN KOTAROU!
WHA..?!
OKAY...
B-BUT...
...I CAN'T GO BECAUSE I HAVE TUITION TODAY...
...AH...
I'M SORRY...
WHAT, I'M DOING THIS FOR YOUR SAKE Y'KNOW!
THAT... THAT'S RIGHT, IT'LL ONLY TROUBLE KOTAROU-CHAN AT A TIME LIKE THIS!
I LIKE YOU
MISHA-SAN

DO YOU WANT TO WALK HOME TOGETHER?
MISHA-SAN? IMPOSSIBLE!
KOBOSHI -CHAN...

...IT CAN'T BE...
...EH...
WAIT A MINUTE!
H... HEY KOTAROU!!
IT CAN'T BE... TO UEMATSU...

WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?!
NOTHING... I...
IS THAT WHY YOU'RE ACTING STRANGELY?
AND WHAT ABOUT YOU?
THIS ACTUALLY HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME, BUT...
SORRY...
UEMATSU CONFESSED TO YOU, RIGHT?
YES...
ME TOO...

TEN-CHAN?
WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO TELL HER?!
YES...
RE... REALLY?!
.....
TEN-CHAN?
THIS WILL PROBABLY SURPRISE YOU, BUT...
I UNDER-STAND...
.....

I'M...
...IN LOVE WITH UEMATSU...

BECAUSE OF YOU I HAD TO GIVE UP HEMATSU. SO THEN I DECIDED TO LIKE SHIA-SAN INSTEAD.
IDIOT!
WHAT?!
B-BUT I THOUGHT YOU WERE... WITH SHIA-SAN...
BUT THEN YOU LIKED HER TOO!
THAT REALLY ANNOYED ME!
AH...
SFX: BAM
KOTAROU.
COULD YOU HIT ME?

IF I TRY TO TAKE YOUR UEMATSU AWAY...
YOU HAVE TO FIGHT FOR HER! EVEN IF YOU HAVE TO PUNCH ME.
YOU'RE SERIOUS, AREN'T YOU?!
AH...
WE...L...
THE TRUTH IS...
KOTAROU-CHAN!
EVERYTHING IS NOW CLEAR TO ME
EVERYTHING IS NOW CLEAR TO ME, TEN-CHAN

SFX: SMILE
FOR BEING LATE...
SORRY...
BUT WAS IT REALLY SINCERE?
COULD I...
JUST A WHILE AGO I SAID IT,
IF HE LOOKS LIKE THAT, TO FIGHT HIM BECAUSE OF HER?
BEAT TEN-CHAN...
COULD I?
OR...
OR AM I JUST DOING THE SAME THING...
TO KOBOSHI-CHAN AS WHAT MISHA-SAN DID TO ME
WHAT MISHA-SAN HAS DONE.
MISHA-SAN...

M.SHA-SAN...
I'M SORRY...
...I'M SORRY...
ABOUT WHAT YOU TOLD ME YESTERDAY...
I'M REALLY SORRY...
OH! DON'T THINK ABOUT IT TOO MUCH!
IT'S OKAY.
I ONLY TOLD YOU YESTER-DAY!

SFX: TURN
S-SEE YOU LATER!
AH! I ALMOST FORGOT, I STILL NEED TO GO SHOPPING!
EHEHE...
...MISHA-SAN AGAIN...
I'M THINKING ABOUT...
I...
SFX: CLENCH
IF TEN-CHAN TOLD ME THAT HE HAD FALLEN IN LOVE W TH MISHA-SAN .
...HOW WOULD I HAVE REACTED?
I'D...

I'D HAVE...
I'M IN LOVE WITH JEMATSU.
GIVEN HER A
NEEDED ALL HER COURAGE
IT'S PROBABLY TOO LATE...
I ONLY BECAME ANGRY AND
MYSELF

MISHA-SAN!
..COULD IT BE?
IT DOESN'T CHANGE ANY-THING ~SU...
WAS THAT...
KOTAROU-KUN?
KOTAROU-KUN DIDN'T.
ACCEPT ME..
THEY AREN'T THE SAME...
DIFFERENT PEOPLE...
THAT HE AND THE OTHER KOTAROU-KUN ARE...
EVEN THOUGH I ONLY WANTED TO HELP.
HE'S QUITE ROUGH.
AND STUB-BORN
BUT KOTATOU-KUN'S...
ALSO...

EVERYTHING THAT HAS HAPPENED...
WHATEVER I DO..
HE REFUSED TO TAKE MY HELP.
HE DOESN'T EVEN LIKE ME...
HM...
BUT
HE'S NOT WEAK...
THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO TELL YOU.
BUT NOT AS COOL AS HE SEEMS...
KOTAROU-KUN...
SFX: CLATTER
MISHA -SAN!
I LIKE YOU!

SFX: HUG
KOTAROU -KUN!!
KOTAROU -KUN!
I LIKE YOU TOO ~SU!
...ER...
.....
THERE'S NO OTHER KOTAROU-KUN...
...BESIDES YOU ~SU!
WHICH KOTAROU...
ARE YOU REFERING TO NOW?

AHHH! YOU TWO!
MISHA-SAN.
YOU AGAIN!
IT'S YOUR FAULT IF SHE FAILS AGAIN!!
YOU CAME WHEN MISHA WAS STUDY-ING?!
HUH?
YOU'RE CON-STANTLY GETTING IN HER WAY! AND THIS TIME THE EXAM IS REALLY DIFFICULT!
WHAT'S ON THE EXAM?
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT IT!
SFX: RUSTLE
WELL THEN...
THE CONTENT OF YOUR EXAM IS...
TO MAKE THE HUMAN BOY HIGUCHI KOTAROU HAPPY.

KOTAROU... I'M...
IN LOVE WITH YOU.
SFX: DASH
GYAAA!!!
WAHHH!!!
URGH...

Lesson 44:
How to find happiness - Part 1

THE CONTENT OF YOUR EXAM IS...
TO MAKE THE HUMAN BOY HIGUCHI KOTAROU HAPPY.

CONDI-TION?

ONE CON-DITION.

BUT THERE'S...

EH?
THEN I JUST HAVE TO CONTINUE DOING WHAT I'VE BEEN DOING UNTIL NOW ~SU!
OH! THAT'S ALL?!
.....
YOSH! I'LL TRY MY BEST! I'LL MAKE KOTAROU-KUN HAPPY ~SU!
YES...
BUT...
DID YOU HEAR, KOTAROU-KUN?
I'M GOING TO MAKE YOU HAPPY ~SU!

I'M ALREADY HAPPY.
EH?

WELL THE DEFINITION OF THE TASK IS QUITE UNCLEAR.
HAPPINESS CAN HAVE MANY DIFFERENT MEANINGS...
UM...
WELL I'M NOT UNHAPPY ANYWAY...
OH NO!
UH...

WHAT?
WHAT'S THE CONDITION?
SEEMS LIKE THE EXAM IS NOT THAT EASY.
SASHA-SAN...
OH NO, OH NO!

SHE CAN ONLY USE HER ANGEL POWER ONCE.
ONLY ONCE!

SFX: TURN
.....
WELL THEN, DO YOUR BEST!
I WONDER IF IT'LL TURN OUT OKAY?
URGH...
I'M HOME!

SFX THUD
ANYWAY I'LL JUST...
FOCUS ON STUDYING FOR MY ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.
RIGHT! I'LL PASS WITH THE BEST MARKS!
TAKASHI ...
TAKASHI...!
SFX CLICK
HM?
THIS IS FROM...
THE MIDDLE SCHOOL
!

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AH!
GOOD MORNING KOTAROU-KUN ~SU!

SFX. GRUMBLE, GRUMBLE
6 O'CLOCK? IT'S SO EARLY.
UMPH...
LET'S HAVE A MORNING STUDY SESSION...
SFX. SURPRISED
MISHA-SAN, HOW DID YOU GET IN HERE ANYWAY?
TEHEHE!
SFX. TADA
IT'S MY OFFICIAL TASK TO MAKE KOTAROU-KUN HAPPY ~SU.
I'LL CONSTANTLY BE WITH KOTAROU-KUN SO THAT I WON'T MISS THE CHANCE ~SU!

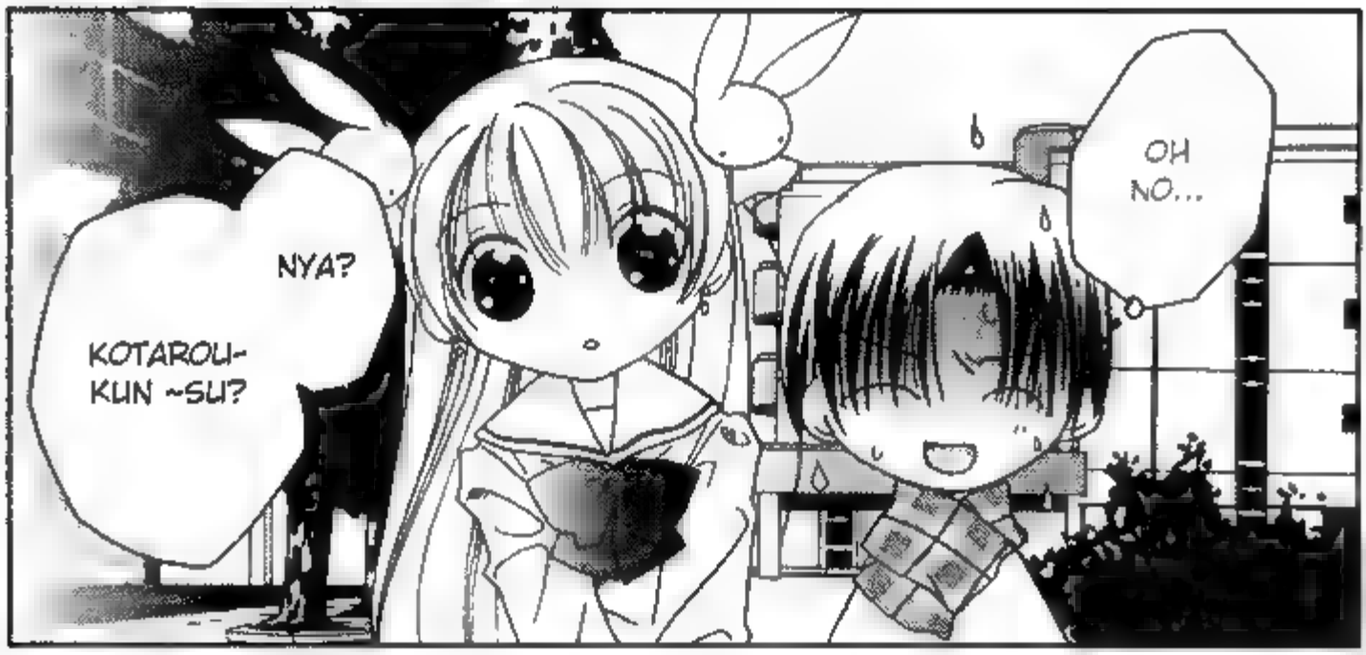
YOU'VE ALREADY MADE ME HAPPY UP UNTIL NOW ANYWAY.
TEHEHE
THE TWO OF US
WILL BE HAVING EXAMS SOON.
AND THEN...

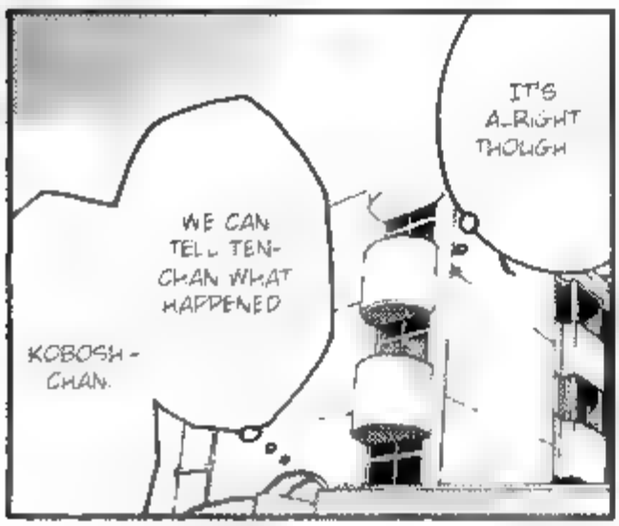
IT WILL BE SPRING...
WHAT WILL HAPPEN AFTER-WARDS?

WELL OF COURSE,
WE'LL BOTH PASS OUR EXAMS ~SU!
HAHA...
THAN EVERYTHING WILL BE EVEN MORE WONDERFUL AND HAPPIER THAN IT ALREADY IS ~SU!
IF YOU'RE ALREADY HAPPY THEN I'LL MAKE YOU EVEN HAPPIER...
BUT...
IF MISHA PASSES HER ANGEL EXAM...
WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO HER?
WILL SHE BE ALLOWED TO STAY HERE?

TO MAKE ME HAPPY...
HMM
DOES THAT MEAN...
THAT I'M NOT TRULY HAPPY YET?
TEHEHE!
TO MAKE YOU HAPPY, THEN *BANG* I'LL TAKE IT ~SU!
AND IF I GET THE CHANCE...
UH...
I'LL STICK TO YOU LIKE GLUE ~SU!
HEY!
YOU SHOULD ONLY USE IT AT THE RIGHT TIME!
BUT YOU'RE ONLY ALLOWED TO USE YOU ANGEL POWER ONCE, REMEMBER?

TEN-CHAN...
KOTAROU ...
SFX: HEARTBEAT
I'M IN LOVE WITH HEMATSU.
HMM...
HI TEN-CHAN!
I SHOULD STAY AWAY FROM HER.
SFX WAVE WAVE





IT'D BE DIFFICULT FOR ME TO FACE HER AFTER ALL THAT HAS HAPPENED

OR AWAY BECAUSE OF ME?
I HOPE NOT...
HEY!
I'm relieved
SHE'S NOT HERE?
IS SHE SICK?
SHE DIDN'T COME TO SCHOOL TODAY?
HEMATSU ..
IT SEEMS LIKE IT...
HM?
WHAT'S UP?
HMM...

SFX: SURPRISE
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THAT'S STRANGE...
SHE WAS OKAY YESTERDAY...
ER, THAT'S RIGHT...
HEEELLLOOOO!
HEY TEN-CHAN...
I'LL HAVE TO TELL HIM SOME-TIME ANYWAY ..
SHOULD I TELL HIM ABOUT KOBOSHI-CHAN NOW?
I HAVE SUC-CESSFULLY PASSED THE PRELIMINARY STAGE OF THE PUBLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAM!
SFX: HA HA HA
SFX: HA HA HA
DAI-CHAN...
THE OUTCOME WAS OBVIOUS!
IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO FAIL!
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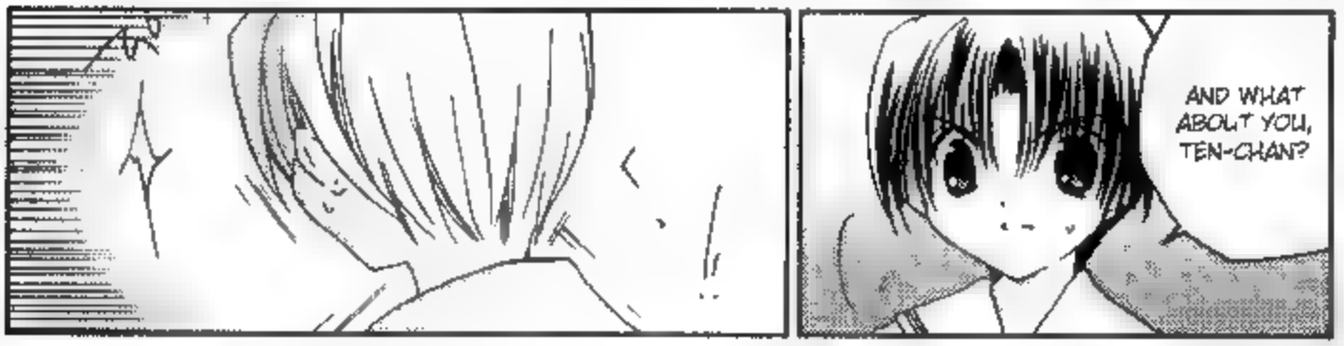
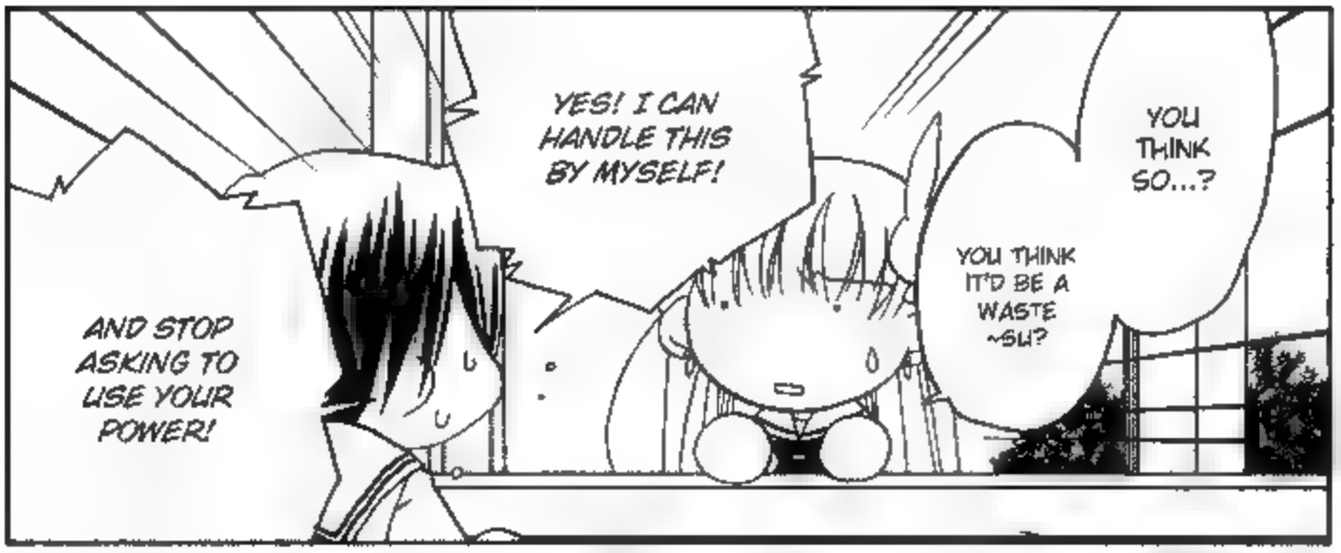
DAI-CHAN... YOU REALLY APPLIED FOR A PUBLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL...
OF COURSE!
THERE'S ONLY ONE CHOICE FOR ME: THE PUBLIC MIDDLE SCHOOL!


AND WHAT ABOUT YOU, TEN-CHAN?

SFX: SILENCE
OH!

SFX: HA HA HA
WHAT'S WRONG AYA-NOKOJI?
COULD IT BE...
!
THAT HE FAILED THE PRE-LIMINARY STAGE
DOES THAT MEAN YOU FAILED THE PRELIMINARY STAGE?
I WON THIS TIME, RIGHT?
HAHAHAHA
DAI-CHAN!
.....
SFX: TURN
SFX: CLATTER

DAMN IT...
WHAT'S WRONG ..
IS HE JEALOUS OR SOMETHING?
.....
I BETTER NOT TALK TO HIM ABOUT KOBOSHI-CHAN
HE'S IN SUCH A BAD MOOD...
THIS IS WHY .
SHOULD I USE MY ANGEL POWER ~SU?
KOTAROU-KUN, IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG ~SU?
UWAH!
KOTAROU-KUN...
SFX: TWI: CH_TWITCH
THAT WOULD BE A WASTE!
NOT FOR SOMETHING LIKE THIS!
NO!


YES! I CAN HANDLE THIS BY MYSELF!
YOU THINK SO...?
YOU THINK IT'D BE A WASTE ~SU?
AND STOP ASKING TO USE YOUR POWER!

SFX: SIGH
HOWEVER

WELL,
THE SITUATION IS QUITE COMPLICATED

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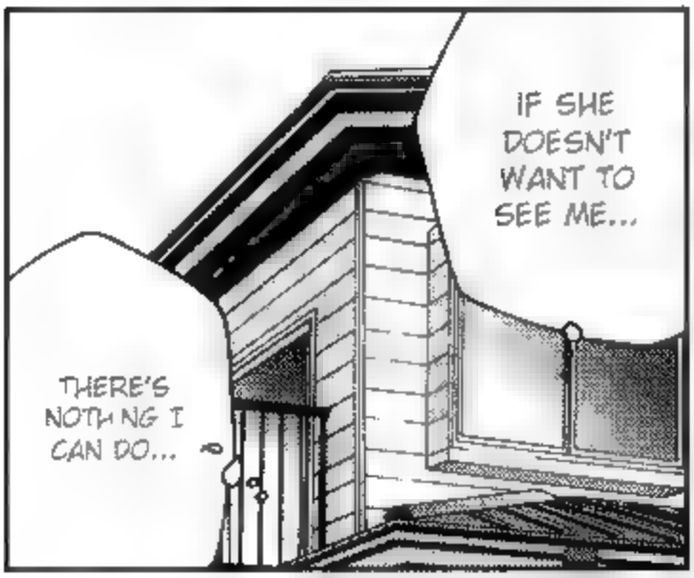
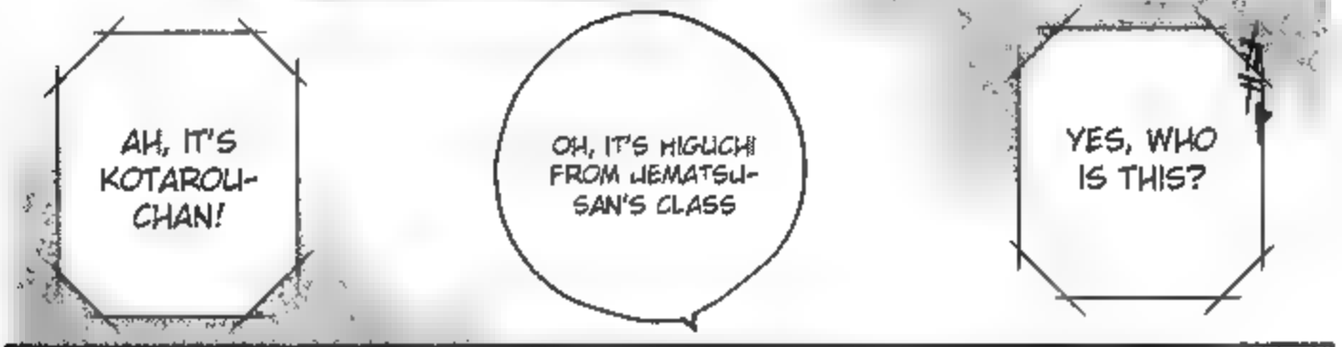
THE TEACHER SAID THAT SHE HAD A COLD...


IF SHE DOESN'T WANT TO SEE ME...
THERE'S NOTH NG I CAN DO...

I WONDER IF SHE'S OKAY...
KOBOSHI-CHAN...


AH, IT'S KOTAROU-CHAN!
OH, IT'S HIGUCHI FROM UEMATSU-SAN'S CLASS
YES, WHO IS THIS?

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KOBOSHI!! KOBOSHIIIII!! IT'S KOTAROU-CHAN!
KOBOSHI!! IT'S KOTAROU-CHAN!!

SFX: SILENCE
THIS WILL TAKE A WHILE..
.....?
.....
SORRY IT TOOK SO LONG...
OH, IT'S OKAY...
I TOLD HER THAT YOU'RE HERE...
BUT SHE WON'T COME OUT OF HER ROOM.
SHE ALSO DIDN'T WANT TO GO TO SCHOOL EVEN THOUGH SHE'S NOT SICK...

I'M REALLY SORRY...
IT'S OK
ANYWAY...
COULD YOU COME ANOTHER TIME? THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
SFX SIGH
IT'S MY FAULT...
I KNEW IT...
AH
.....

.....
KOTAROU?
TEN-CHAN...
DID YOU ALSO GO TO VISIT HEMATSU?
SFX: SHOCK
ER...
...AH
REALLY?
IS SHE AFRAID YOU'LL GET INFECTED BY HER ILLNESS?
SHE DOESN'T WANT TO SEE ME...
EH... WHY?
WEREN'T YOU WITH HER YESTERDAY?
BECAUSE OF ME...
IT'S...
ER... I THINK...

UH...
NO, I WASN'T...
WHAT? WHY NOT?
AFTER OUR CONVERSATION,
I CHANGED MY MIND.

!
WELL ACTUALLY IT'S YOUR THING...
YOU'RE ALWAYS CHANGING YOUR MIND!
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
DOES THAT MEAN UEMATSU WASN'T AT SCHOOL BECAUSE SHE'S AVOIDING YOU?
HANG ON...
HOWEVER ...
WHY...
IF THAT'S THE TRUTH...

...ARE YOU HERE THEN?
DON'T YOU KNOW HOW MUCH IT'LL HURT HER TO SEE YOU?
DON'T JUST THINK ABOUT YOURSELF!
FOR ONCE...
SFX: WHACK
!!

SFX: TURN
DAMN...
WHY IS EVERTHING I'M TRYING TO DO TURNING OUT BADLY?!
DAMN!
DAMN!!

DAMN IT!
FIRST I FAILED THE PRELIMINARY STAGE
AND NOW THIS WITH
WHAT WOULD IT BE LIKE TO GO TO JYOUDAI SCHOOL?
THE JYODA MIDDLE SCHOOL!
IT'D BE GREAT, WOULDN'T IT?
IT'S NOT FAR FROM HERE. WE COULD ALWAYS WALK THERE TOGETHER...
WHAT SHE DOESN'T KNOW...
IS THAT I'VE ALREADY...

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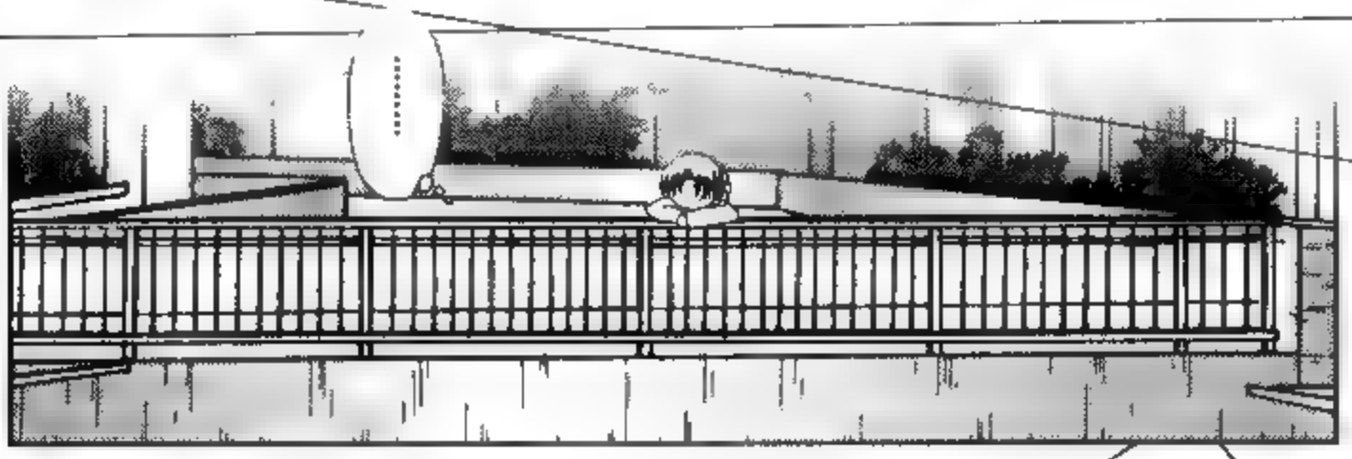
FOR JYODAI MIDDLE SCHOOL.
APPLIED TO SIT FOR THE ENTRANCE EXAM.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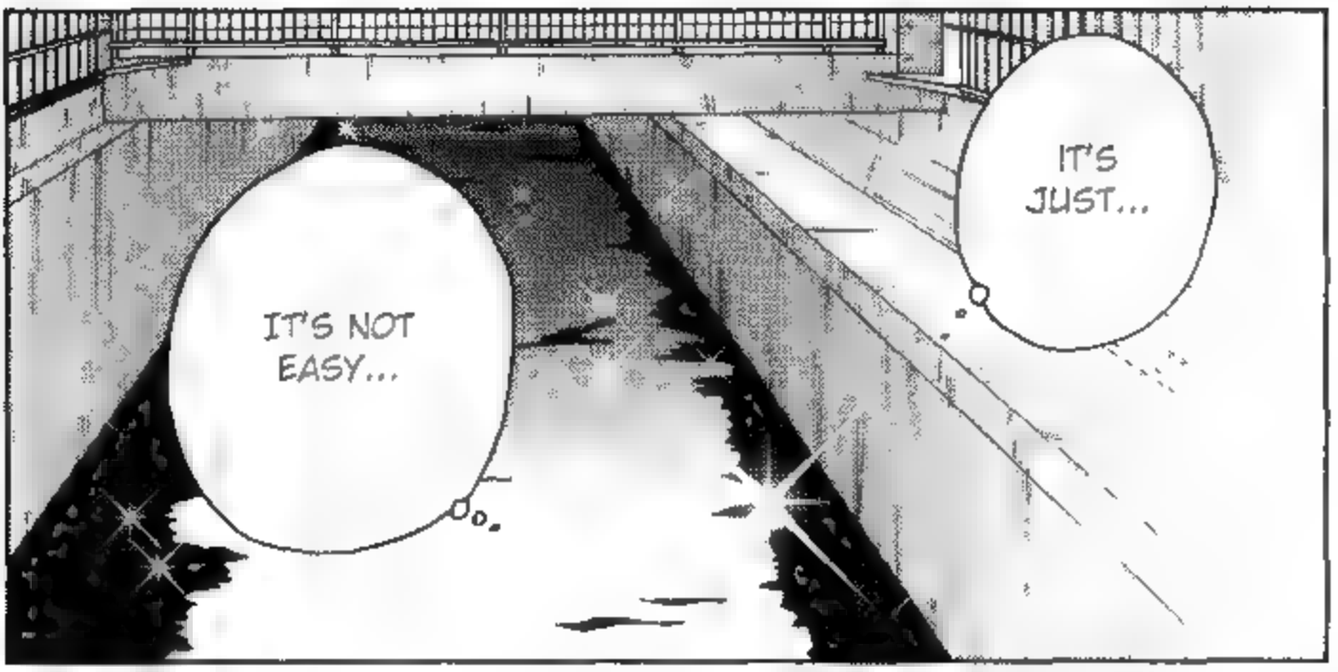
.....
TEN-CHAN IS RIGHT...
I'M ALWAYS THINKING ABOUT MYSELF...

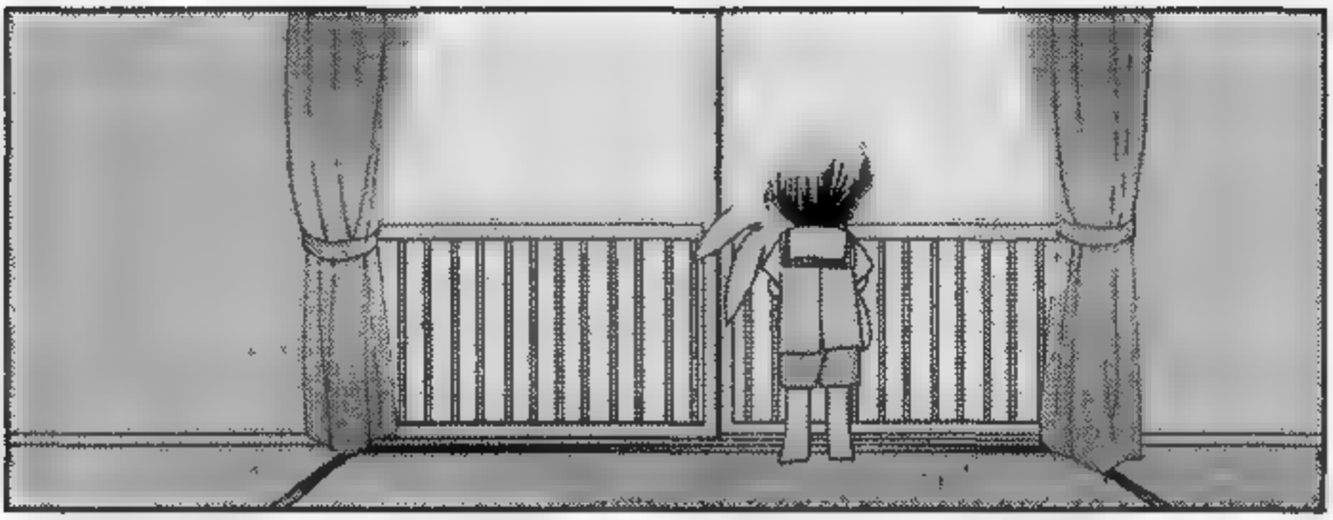
SFX: SIGH
KO...
I'M...
SUCH AN IDIOT!
KOTAROU-KUN!
AH..
MISHA-SAN!
I'M FINE...
IS EVERY-THING OKAY ~SU?
IS EVERY-THING OKAY ~SU?
SFX: UH-OH
MISHA-SAN...
SFX: PAT PAT
IF YOUR PAIN DIS-APPEARS...
EVERY-THING WILL BE FINE ~SU!
SFX: PAT PAT
BUT...
WE'D ALL FEEL BETTER, WOULDN'T WE?
IF I HADN'T TOLD HER ABOUT MY FEELINGS..

KOTAROU-KUN...
RIGHT...
SOMEHOW ...
IT JUST FEELS...
YOU'RE UNHAPPY, AREN'T YOU ~SU?
KOTAROU-KUN...
IT'S OK, REALLY...
I'LL USE MY ANGEL...
NO...
DON'T WORRY, I'M NOT UNHAPPY...


IT'S JUST...
IT'S NOT EASY...

UH
YES.
ARE YOU SURE?
I'M SURE.

AM I UNHAPPY?
HMM...



IN THE PAST...
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SFX: CUDDLE
I OFTEN FELT LONELY AND UNHAPPY...

HANG ON KOTAROU-KUN ~SU!
HANG ON!!
TEHEHE
SO? ARE YOU FELLING A BIT BETTER ~SU?
I STILL DON'T KNOW HOW I CAN MAKE YOU TRULY HAPPY...
BUT I'LL FIND A WAY!
I'LL KEEP MY PROMISE ~SU!

WE'LL BOTH PASS OUR EXAMS!
SFX BANG
RIGHT! WE'LL MAKE IT!
ROGER ~SU!
I FELT HAPPIER THAN I EVER D.D BEFORE...
JUST THEN, WITH MISHA-SAN...
IT'S STRANGE...
SHE STILL HASN'T PASSED HER EXAM YET THOUGH.

THE HAP-
PINESS OF
HIGUCHI
KOTAROU!
THE
CONTENT
OF YOUR
EXAM IS...
THAT'S
NOT
TRUE!
REALLY
~SU?
WHAT
HAVE YOU
BEEN
DOING UP
UNTIL
NOW?
Wahhh!
that's
the
end!!!
tehe he
it's super
easy ~su!

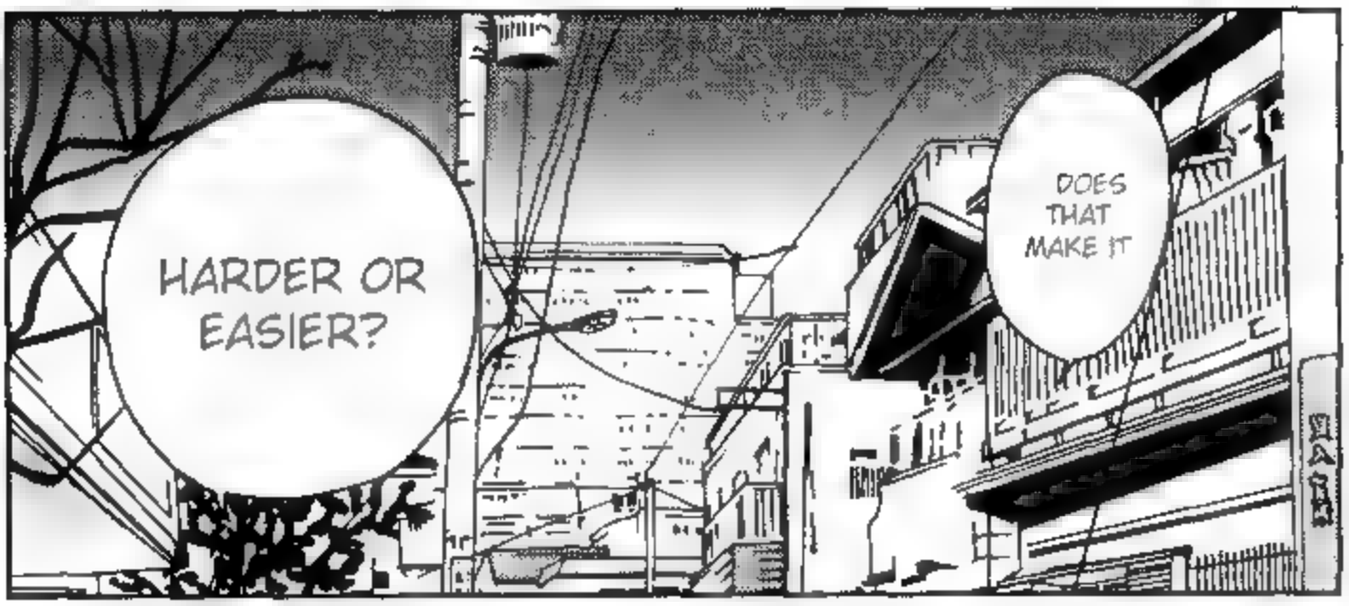
LESSON 45: HOW TO FIND HAPPINESS - PART 2

MAKING THE HUMAN BOY HIGUCHI KOTAROU...

HAPPY

SHE CAN ONLY USE HER ANGEL POWER ONCE.

THAT IS HER EXAM TASK.


HARDER OR EASIER?
DOES THAT MAKE IT

YAY! IT'S STARTED ~SU!
WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO START?

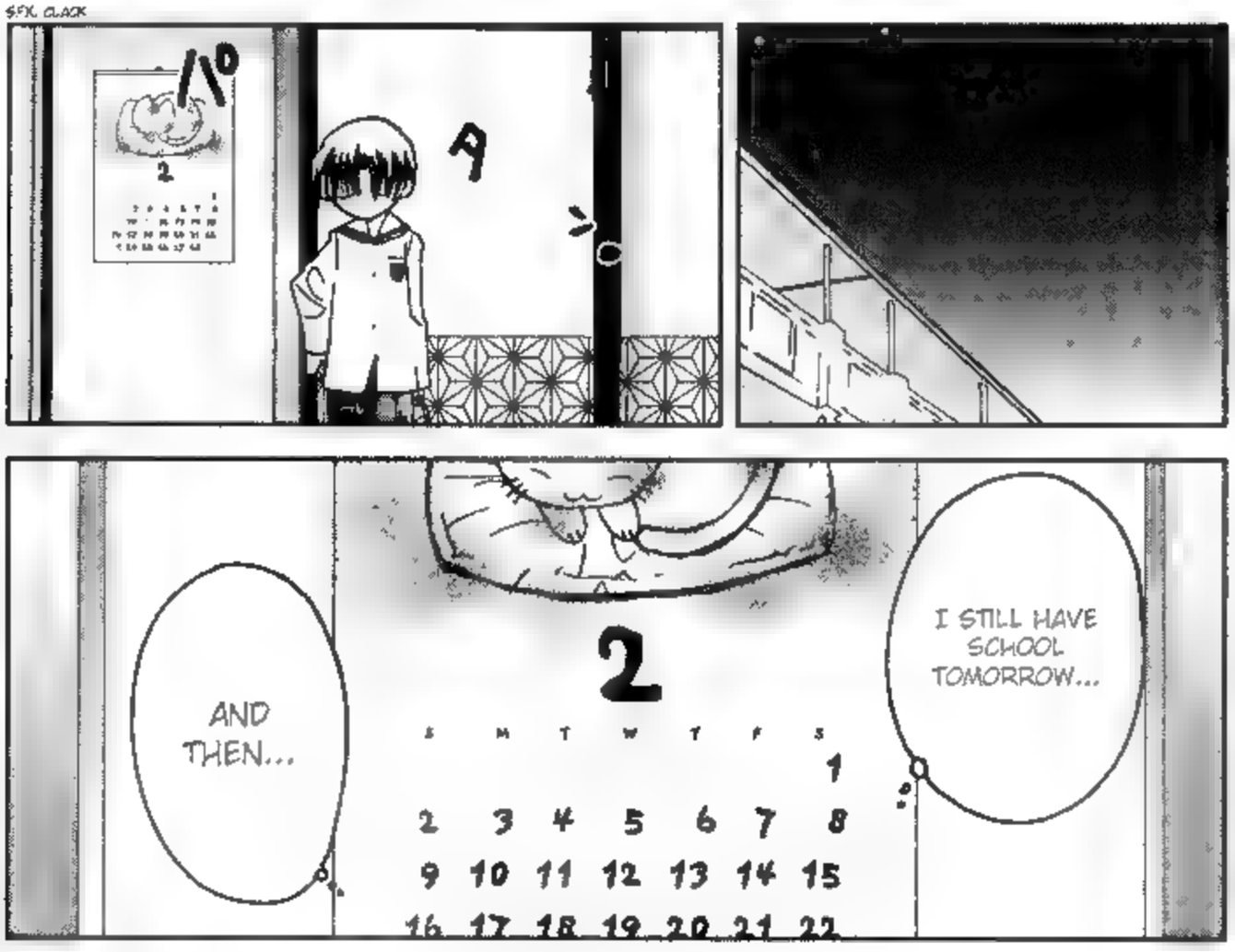
I PROMISE TO MAKE KOTAROU-KUN HAPPY! YOSH ~SU!
I'VE COME TO MAKE YOU HAPPY ~SU!
AND MY EXAM IS ABOUT MAKING YOU HAPPY TOO! THAT'S SO GREAT ~SU!

YES.
I'M SURE THAT YOU'LL BE ABLE TO DO IT.
!
SFX: HUGGLE
REALLY ~SU?
I'LL TRY MY BEST ~SU!
SFX: TEHEHE
STOP HUGGING ME IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STREET!
TEHEHE

LOTS OF
THINGS ARE
COMPLICATED...
BUT...

I HAVE THE FEELING THAT AS LONG AS I'M WITH MISHA-SAN...

I'LL BE "HAPPY"...



I'LL HAVE MY ENTRANCE EXAM...
IN...
THREE DAYS...
FINALLY ...
...IT'S...
TIME...
MISHA-SAN...
.....
MISHA-SAN...
I'LL ALSO DO MY BEST.

SFX. CHIRP CHIRP
チュン
チュン...
SFX. CLACK
GOOD...
MISHA-SAN...
SFX. SILENCE
HM?
.....
NING...
MOR...
WHERE IS SHE...?

M SHA-
SAN
HUH
YESTERDAY
SHE WAS
STILL HANGING
AROUND ME
JUST ..
WHERE DID
SHE GO?
.....?

...
OH...
KOBOSHI-CHAN ISN'T HERE TODAY EITHER.
MORNING KOTAROU.
TEN-CHAN! GOOD MORNING!
I'M REALLY SORRY ABOUT
HEY.
HITTING YOU YESTERDAY.

I THINK I WAS REALLY ANNOYED YESTERDAY BECAUSE I FAILED THE PRELIMINARY STAGE FOR THE ENTRANCE EXAM.
SORRY.
IT'S OK, REALLY.
NO, NO, YOU WERE RIGHT...
SFX SILENCE
L . . . . . h . . .
ER... WELL...
IT CAN'T BE HELPED...
OR NOT?
SO CAN WE GET ALONG FROM NOW ON.
UEMATSU ISN'T HERE AGAIN.
HEY...
THE ENTRANCE EXAM FOR JYODAI...
IS THE DAY AFTER TOMMOROW, RIGHT?

YES.
.....
LET'S DO OUR BEST, OKAY?
GOOD.
EH?!
.....?
ER... OKAY.
.....?
BUT...

IS THERE SOME-THING...
I HAVN'T EVEN SEEN MISHA-SAN AT SCHOOL TODAY...
HMM...
WRONG?
AH...
SIGN: TYODAI MIDDLE SCHOOL
私立城大学附属
THIS IS WHERE THE ENTRANCE EXAM...
WILL BE HELD

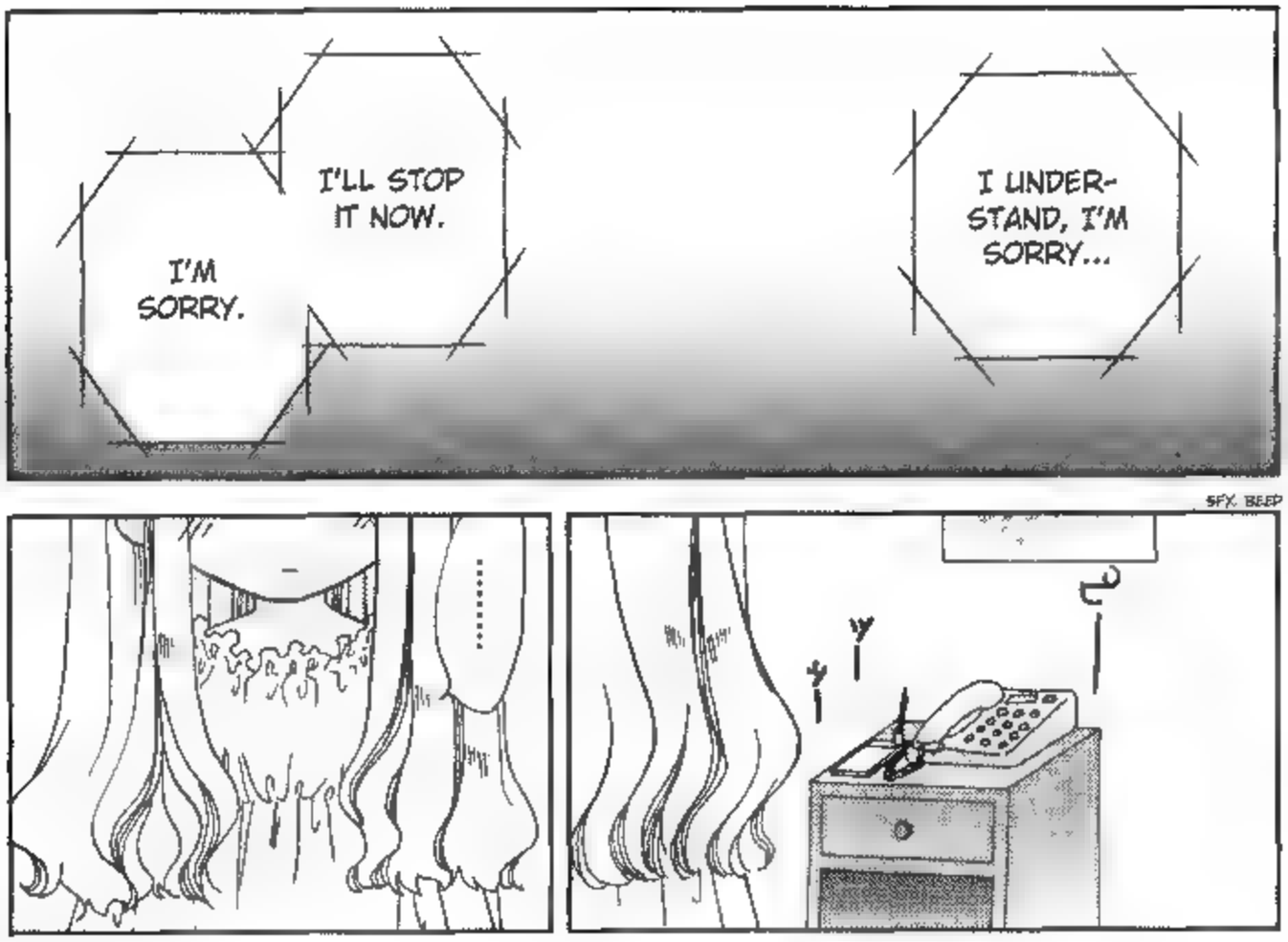
TEN-CHAN!
!
SFX: TAP TAP TAP
TEN-CHAN!
!
AH!
OR MAYBE IT ISN'T?
I THOUGHT THAT GOING TO A PRIVATE SCHOOL WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM BECAUSE OF HIS FATHER'S ILLNESS
TEN-CHAN?!

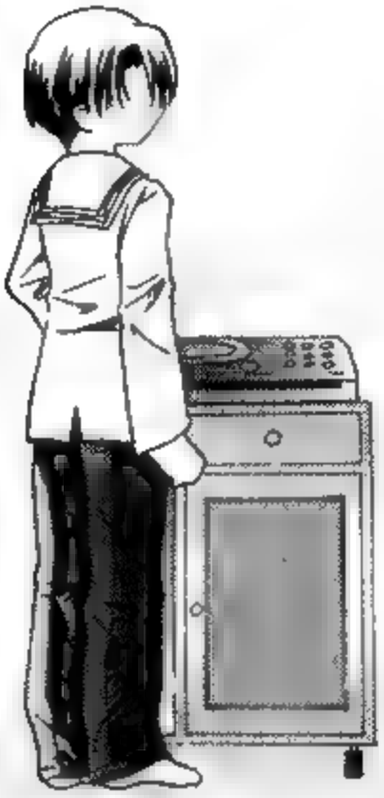
COULD THAT...
MEAN...
THE ENTRANCE EXAM FOR JYODAI S THE DAY AFTER TOMMOROW, RIGHT?
THAT HE...
KYODAI MIDDLE SCHOOL?!
APPLIED FOR...
STILL...
.....

OH NO, OH NO...
SIGH
I'M BACK...
I'LL GO LOOK FOR HER LATER.
I'M WORRIED.
IS MISHIA-SAN OKAY?
FOR JUST A MOMENT ..
IF I COULD TALK TO HER...
UM...
I'M ALSO WORRIED ABOUT KOBOSHI-CHAN... HOW LONG IS SHE GOING TO STAY AT HOME?
THE TELE-PHONE...
.....!

SFX. RING RING
KOBOSHI-CHAN WON'T PICK UP...
I'LL MAKE TEN-CHAN ANGRY AGAIN...
MAYBE
JUST THIS...
ONE TIME...
HELLO, IT'S HEMATSU.
SFX. SLAM
SHE PICKED UP!
KOBOSHI-CHAN?!
OH!
LISTEN...
SFX. BEEP BEEP

SFX: CLACK, BEEP, BEEP
HELLO?
KOBOSHI-CHAN?
ER...
KOBOSHI?
WE ARE CURRENTLY UNAVAILABLE SO PLEASE LEAVE US...
AH...
A MESSAGE AND WE'LL CALL YOU BACK. THANK YOU.


I'M SORRY.
I'LL STOP IT NOW.
I UNDER-STAND, I'M SORRY...
SFX: BEEP
KOTAROU -CHAN...
MISHA-SAN...
OH MAN... I SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE THAT...
SIGH
SFX: CLACK



MISHA-SAN...

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WHERE ARE YOU?

MAYBE...

AH!

SHE ISN'T...

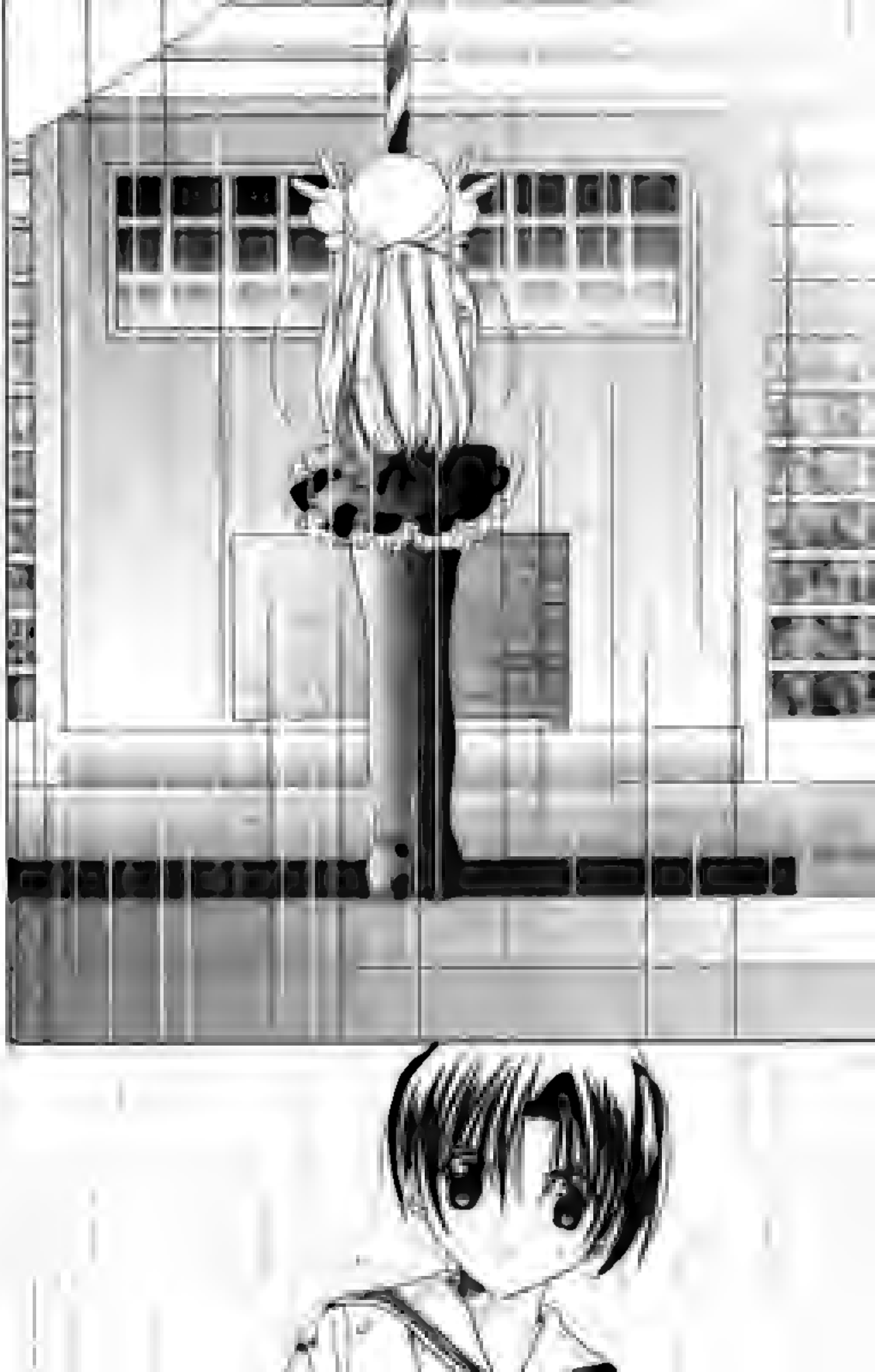
YOU ALWAYS USED TO BE WITH ME.

BUT NOT TODAY. WHY?

SFX: BANG
SHE MAY HAVE PASSED HER EXAM AND
BECAUSE I WAS HAPPY IN THAT MOMENT...
SFX: BAM BAM
MISHA-SAN! MISHA-SAN!
ARE YOU HERE?
HAD TO GO BACK TO HEAVEN...!
MISHA-SAN!

SFX: BAM!
MISHA-SAN!
THIS CAN'T BE!
SASHA-SAN...
ISN'T HERE EITHER?
MISHA-SAN!
MISHA-SAN!
MISHA-SAN!!

MISHA-SAN!
SFX: TAP TAP TAP
WHERE ARE YOU?
WHERE ARE YOU?!
MISHA-SAN!!
SFX: DRIP. DRIP
THIS CAN'T BE!
MISHA-SAN, YOU CAN'T JUST DISAP-PEAR!
IT'S IMPOSSI-BLE!
THIS JUST CAN'T BE HAPPENING!



PLEASE MAKE KOTAROU-KUN...
HAPPY ~SU!
PLEASE!
LET KOTAROU-KUN BE HAPPY ~SU!
LET HIM FIND HIS HAPPINESS ~SU!
PLEASE!

AH!
MISHA-SAN, I'M GLAD...
I FINALLY FOUND YOU...

I'M SO GLAD, MISHA-SAN...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WOULD'VE DONE IF I COULDN'T SEE YOU AGAIN...
KOTAROU-KUN...
SFX: WAAAH
あわわ
YOU ASKED THE GODS FOR HELP?
BUT NOTHING HAS CHANGED!
I'VE STARTED MY EXAM...
I PRAYED TO THE GODS ~SU, I MEAN...
KO...
ONLY WITH YOU, MISHA-SAN!
NOBODY ELSE!
IT'S ONLY WITH YOU THAT I CAN BE HAPPY!
ONLY WITH YOU...

WAAAH...!
I'M SORRY KOTAROU-KUN ~SU...
SFX: WAH WAH WAH
I'M SORRY THAT I WANTED TO LEAVE IT UP TO SOMEBODY ELSE ~SU!
MISHA-SAN ...
I'M TRYING TO DO MY BEST, REALLY ~SU!
SFX: HUG
MISHA-SAN...
MISHA-SAN...
WAAAH!
WAAAH!

YOU'RE ALL WET!
NYA?
HYAAAH!
OH!
UM...

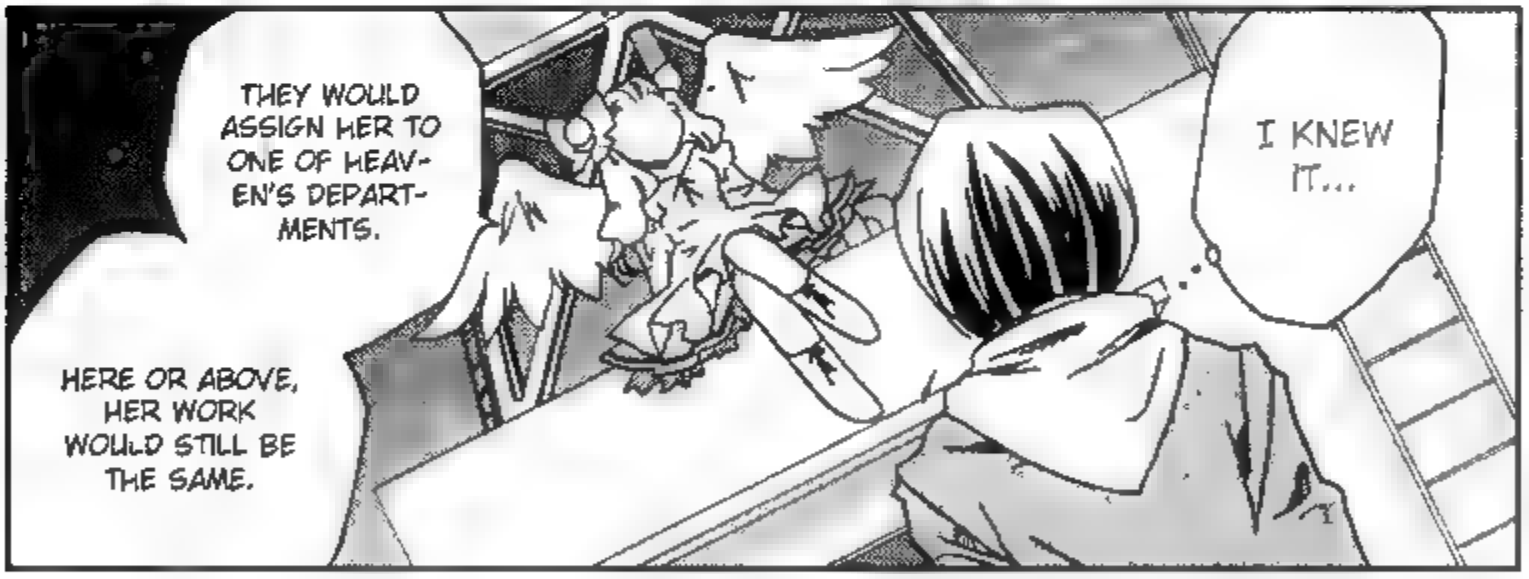
MISHA-SAN...
YOU'RE SO WARM...
REALLY?
MISHA-SAN... I...
I'LL MAKE YOU...
A REAL ANGEL!
IT'S A PROMISE!

OH!
THERE YOU ARE.
SASHA-SAN.

I'M...
HAPPY IF I'M WITH HER.
IS THAT ALL YOU WANT TO KNOW?
WHY...
SFX. FLOP
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE I NEED TO KNOW?
IF MISHA WASN'T AN ANGEL IT WOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM....
BUT SHE IS AN ANGEL.
HASN'T MISHA-SAN PASSED HER EXAM?

IF SHE BECOMES A REAL ANGEL,

THE BOTH OF YOU WON'T SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN.



IF MISHA FAILS THE ANGEL EXAM AGAIN, SHE'LL BE ERASED. WITHOUT MERCY.

NOTHING?
MISHA-SAN?!
THEY WANT TO ERASE HER JUST BECAUSE SHE FAILS HER EXAM?!

WHAT?
ERASED?
NO PART OF HER WILL REMAIN.
THAT'S WHY I'M TRYING SO HARD TO HELP BUT SHE...

YES. BUT NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, WHETHER SHE PASSES OR NOT...
IT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT YOU'LL NEVER SEE HER AGAIN.

DO YOU REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OTHER KOTAROU?
EVERYTHING HAS SEVERE CONSEQUENCES.
THIS MIGHT SOUND HARSH BUT...

MISHA-SAN'S EXAM...
SHE SAID THAT IT'LL FINISH SOON.
BUT WHEN EXACTLY?
YOU SEE? THIS IS WHY ANGELS AND HUMANS CAN'T LIVE TOGETHER.
.....!

HER EXAM LASTS THREE DAYS.
MY RESULTS
ARE COMING OUT ON THE SAME DAY.
MAN...
THREE DAYS...
SO FAST...
AND THAT MISHA WILL ALSO MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE AGAIN.
YES. THIS PROVES THAT YOU'RE RELATED TO HER.
YOU MEAN SHIA-SAN?!
NOW YOU'RE JUST ACTING LIKE THAT DEMON...
SFX: SWOOSH
.....
YOU NEED TO DO SOME-THING!
TIME IS RUNNING OUT...
I CAN'T TELL YOU ANYMORE.

AND NOW MISHA-SAN IS SUPPOSED TO BE GOING AWAY
IF SHE FAILS HER EXAM SHE ... BE ERASED
THE FACT THAT I CAN SEE ANGELS...
I NEVER REALLY THOUGHT ABOUT IT...
KOTAROU-KUN!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
BOTH...
WOULD MEAN THAT I'... LOSE HER!
F MISHA-SAN ISN'T HERE ANYMORE ...
WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ME?

Lesson 46
How to find happiness - part 3

THE ANGEL EXAM LASTS THREE DAYS.
ON THE SAME DAY MY EXAM RESULTS WILL BE RELEASED.
IF SHE PASSES THEN SHE MUST RETURN TO HEAVEN.
BUT IF SHE FAILS SHE WILL BE ERASED.
MISHA-SAN...
MISHA-SAN WON'T...
EXIST ANYMORE?!

YOU LOOK SO PALE...
.....
NYA? WHAT'S WRONG KOTAROU-KUN ~SU?
MI... MISHA-SAN...
IF YOU PASS THE EXAM...
WILL WE REALLY HAVE TO SAY GOODBYE TO EACH OTHER?
KOTAROU-KUN?
EITHER WAY MEANS THAT YOU WON'T BE HERE ANYMORE!
SASHA-SAN SAID THAT YOU'LL BE ERASED IF YOU FAIL.
THIS CAN'T... THIS CAN'T BE TRUE!

MISHA-SAN, WITHOUT YOU...
I CAN'T BE HAPPY!
YOUR ANGEL POWER WILL LET YOU STAY WITH ME EVEN IF YOU BECOME A REAL ANGEL!
I KNOW!!
KOTARO-KUN
WELL
THEN TELL ME WHAT ELSE WE CAN DO!!
NO! THAT WOULD MEAN THAT SOMETHING REALLY BAD WILL HAPPEN TO YOU ~SU!
THEN THE POWER SHOULD BE ABLE TO CHANGE ME SO THAT I CAN STAY WITH YOU!!
THAT CAN ONLY BE DECIDED BY THE REVERENDS, NOT BY ME

I DON'T WANT TO!
I DON'T WANT TO BE SEPARATED FROM YOU MISHA-SAN!
NO, I WANT TO STAY WITH YOU ~SU!
EVEN IF I WON'T MAKE YOU HAP...
BUT!
DON'T YOU CARE THAT WE WON'T SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN?
IS IT LIKE THAT?!
PLEASE ...
STAY WITH ME... OTHERWISE ...

MISHA-SAN...
IT'S MORNING ~SU
KOTAROU-KUN...
.....
DO YOU FEEL BETTER ~SU?
.....
KOTAROU-KUN...
WHAT... CAN WE DO?

SOON, MISHA-SAN WON'T BE HERE ANYMORE...
CAN'T THINK CLEARLY ANYMORE...
AHHH! I'M TOTALLY CONFUSED... I...
I JUST KNOW
THAT MISHA-SAN WON'T BE AROUND FOR MUCH LONGER.
WE'LL STAY TOGETHER, MISHA-SAN...
NO...
SFX GRIP

I WOULDN'T...
WANT IT ANY OTHER WAY!
I'LL STOP IT NOW. I'M SORRY.
I UNDER-STAND. I'M SORRY.
I CAN'T STAND IT ANY LONGER...
SFX BEEP BEEP
YOUR MESSAGE FROM THE 30TH OF JANUARY...
BUT WHAT HAS THAT DONE FOR ME?
AND TRIED... TO AVOID HIM.
FIRST I GOT TURNED DOWN... THEN I LOST MY COURAGE ...

SFX: BEEP
I UNDER-STAND. I'M SORRY.
I'LL STOP IT NOW. I'M SORRY.
YOUR MESSAGE FROM...
SFX: BEEP BEEP
TRIED MY BEST FOR THE PAST SIX YEARS...
TO BECOME A PERSON THAT HE WILL LIKE..
I DON'T EXPECT ALL OF MY WISHES...
TO COME TRUE, BUT I'VE..
AND NOW...
I UNDER-STAND. I'M SORRY.
I'LL STOP IT NOW. I'M SORRY.
AND NOW...
SFX: BEEP BEEP

A BEATIFUL BLUE SKY...
.....
WHAT THE HECK...
AM I DOING?!
I DIDN'T WANT TO AVOID HIM...
I ACTUALLY WANTED...

WHAT AM I DOING?
WHAT DOES IT DO FOR ME?
I...
.....

TAKASHI...
EH?
TAKASHI...
I'VE TALKED WITH YOU FATHER...
!
YOU STILL WANT TO TAKE THE ENTRANCE EXAM,
DON'T YOU?
YOU'VE ALREADY QUALIFIED FOR THE KYODAI ENTRANCE EXAM ALREADY...
YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN THE BEST IN SCHOOL. I UNDERSTAND YOU.
IT'S A SHAME THAT YOU WEREN'T SUCCESSFUL FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOL.
.....
LISTEN ...

I'VE TALKED WITH YOU FATHER AND...
WE STILL WANT YOU TO TAKE THE ENTRANCE EXAM.
AND WE CAN MOVE INTO A SMALLER HOUSE.
BUT I CAN ALSO START WORKING. WHILE I'M WORKING, YOU GRANDMOTHER CAN LOOK AFTER YOUR FATHER...
EH...!
BUT...!
YES, IT'LL BE HARD...
MUM...
WE'LL MAKE IT WORK!
WE'LL BE ABLE TO MANAGE THE MONEY THAT WAY.

WHAT SHOULD I DO?
WHY...
AM I HESI-TATING?
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

WOW...
...THE SUNSET!
WHAT S IT.
THAT I...
REALLY WANT?
I...

...
SAN
...
...
MISHA-
SAN
PLEASE
STAY BY
MY SIDE.
DON'T
LEAVE...
MISHA-
SAN...
...N...

KOTAROU -KUN...
TOMORROW IS YOUR ENTRANCE EXAM ~SU
I KNOW...
ARE YOU OKAY ~SU? IT'S TOMOR-ROW...
.....
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN PRE-PARING.
.....
SOON YOU WON'T BE HERE ANYMORE,
MISHA-SAN...
AND I DON'T KNOW WHETHER I CAN PREVENT THAT OR NOT...
THAT'S WHY I WANT TO SPEND EVERY SECOND WITH YOU!
KOTAROU-KUN...
THE TIME THAT'S LEFT, I WANT TO SPEND IT WITH YOU!
YOU MAKE ME HAPPY! I WANT TO SPEND THE REST OF THE TIME WITH YOU...

WHAT YOU'RE SAYING...
REMINDS ME OF THE OTHER KOTAROU-KUN ~SU...
THAT I WAS SO SAD THAT I COULDN'T SAVE HIM...
THAT'S WHY I'M HERE TO MAKE IT RIGHT THIS TIME.
EH?
I THINK ...
BUT...
SOMEHOW ...
I HAVE THE FEELING THAT THE SAME THING WILL HAPPEN...
AND THEN SAA-CHUN WILL BE RIGHT.

I HAVE THE FEELING THAT IF I CONTINUE LIKE THIS...
I WON'T PASS THE ANGEL EXAM ~SU
KOTAROU-KUN, YOU DON'T...
LOOK ANY HAPPIER ...
!.....
THAN BEFORE ~SU...

THIS...
THIS CAN'T BE TRUE!
YOU'RE MIS-TAKEN!!
MISHA-SAN, IF YOU...
AREN'T HERE ANYMORE...
I'LL ALWAYS BE ALONE...
THEN I ALSO...
DON'T WANT TO...

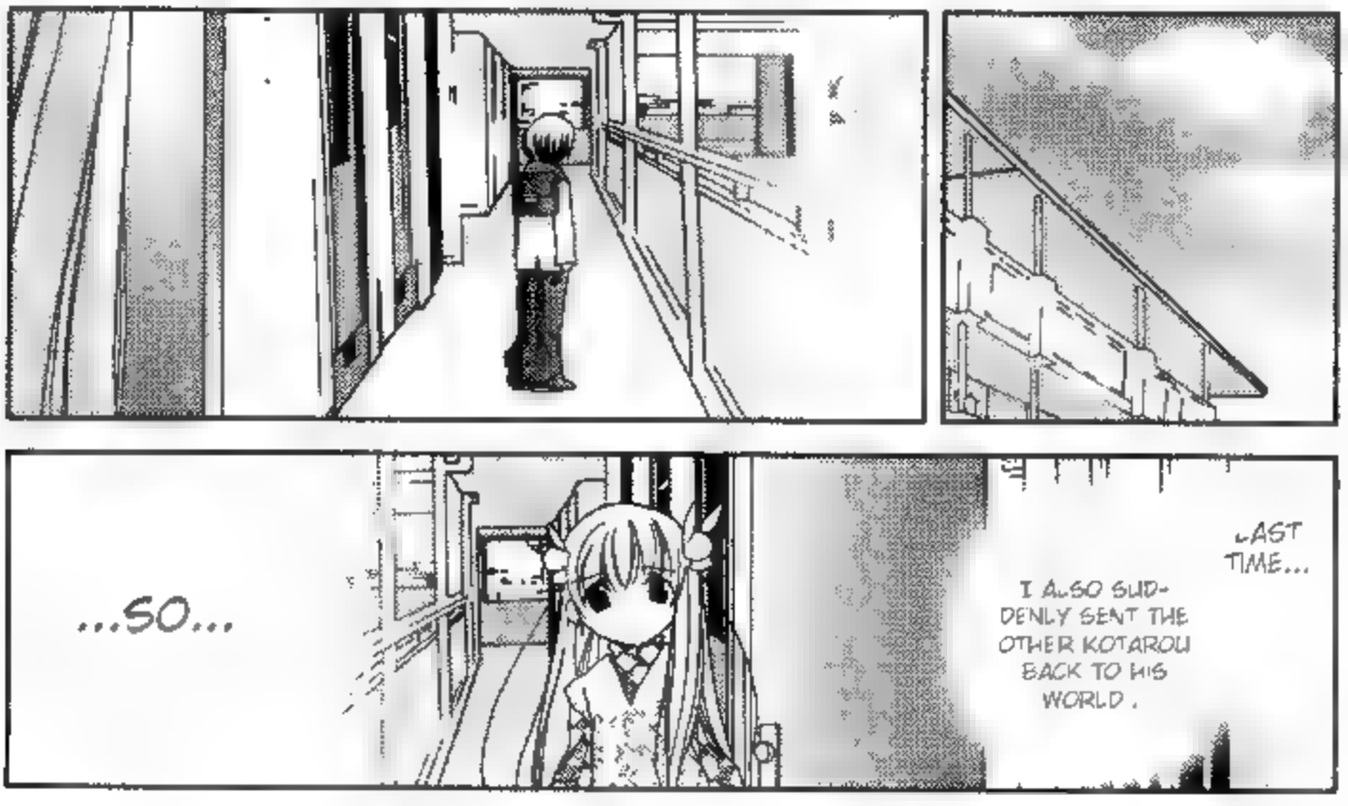
I WANT SOMEBODY TO BE BY MY SIDE!

.....
KOTAROU -KUN.
.....
I DON'T WANT TO BE ALONE ANYMORE

YES ~SU.
TO A PERSON?
DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE DUTY OF AN ANGEL TO A PERSON IS ~SU?

AND THEY HELP THEM TO FIND THE RIGHT WAY WITHOUT ASKING FOR ANYTHING IN RETURN. THAT IS THEIR TASK ~SU!
ANGELS WANT PEOPLE TO BE HAPPY...

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL SUNRISE ~SU!
AH! IT'S MORNING ~SU!
IT'S WHAT YOU'VE WORKED SO HARD FOR ~SU!
TODAY IS THE DAY OF KOTAROU-KUN'S ENTRANCE EXAM ~SU!
GO!
DON'T BE AFRAID ~SU!
I'LL BE THINK-ING OF YOU ALL THE TIME ~SU!
I DON'T WANT TO GO!
I WANT TO SPEND MORE TIME WITH YOU!



WILL HE ALSO FALL INTO DESPAIR?

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THIS KOTAROU?

I WONDER IF DAI-CHAN CAME EARLIER?
HM?
SFX: GLANCING AROUND
!?
SO HE'S DECIDED ON THIS SCHOOL?
TEN-CHAN .
OI——!
H...HUH?
TEN-CHAN?

KOTAROU -CHAN!
EH...?
KO... !
KOBOSHI -CHAN?!
YES.
I'VE CHANGED MY HAIR STYLE.
SURPRISED?

...Y... YEAH.
YOU HAVE YOUR ENTRANCE EXAM RIGHT NOW, RIGHT?
GOOD LUCK.
Y... YEAH...
HEHE ♡
I'M SORRY...
.....
BUT I...
FOR MAKING KOTAROU-CHAN WORRY ABOUT ME...
...EH...
IT WASN'T KOTAROU-CHAN'S FAULT...
BUT YOU STILL HAD TO SUFFER THROUGH IT... SORRY...
KOBOSHI-CHAN...
AND THEN I LOST MY COURAGE.
I THOUGHT THAT EVERY-THING WAS MEANING-LESS...
FELT UNFOR-TUNATE...
N... NO.
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT!
I'M SO SORRY!!
I'VE MADE SUCH A MESS OF EVERY-THING!

THANK YOU!
EHEHEH, REALLY?
Y...YEAH... I THINK IT'S GOOD.
I NEEDED A NEW IMAGE SO THAT I WON'T ALWAYS LOOK LIKE A SOUR PUSS.
DOES MY NEW HAIR-STYLE SUIT ME?
OH, YES! I'M WARNING YOU NOW!
YES, MAYBE.
I'LL BECOME REALLY BEAUTIFUL. YOU'LL SEE! AND THEN YOU'LL REGRET TURNING ME DOWN!~
EH?
A TALIS-MAN!
HERE!

UWAH... THANK YOU.
I WANT TO GIVE IT TO YOU!
IT'S A TALISMAN MADE BY PURE MAGIC WHICH I CONJURED UP ESPECIALLY FOR YOU! WITH IT YOU'LL PASS THE EXAM FOR SURE!
YEAH...!
Fighto!
WELL, DO YOUR BEST ON THE EXAM!

SHE INTENTIONALLY ACTS SELF-CONFIDENT...

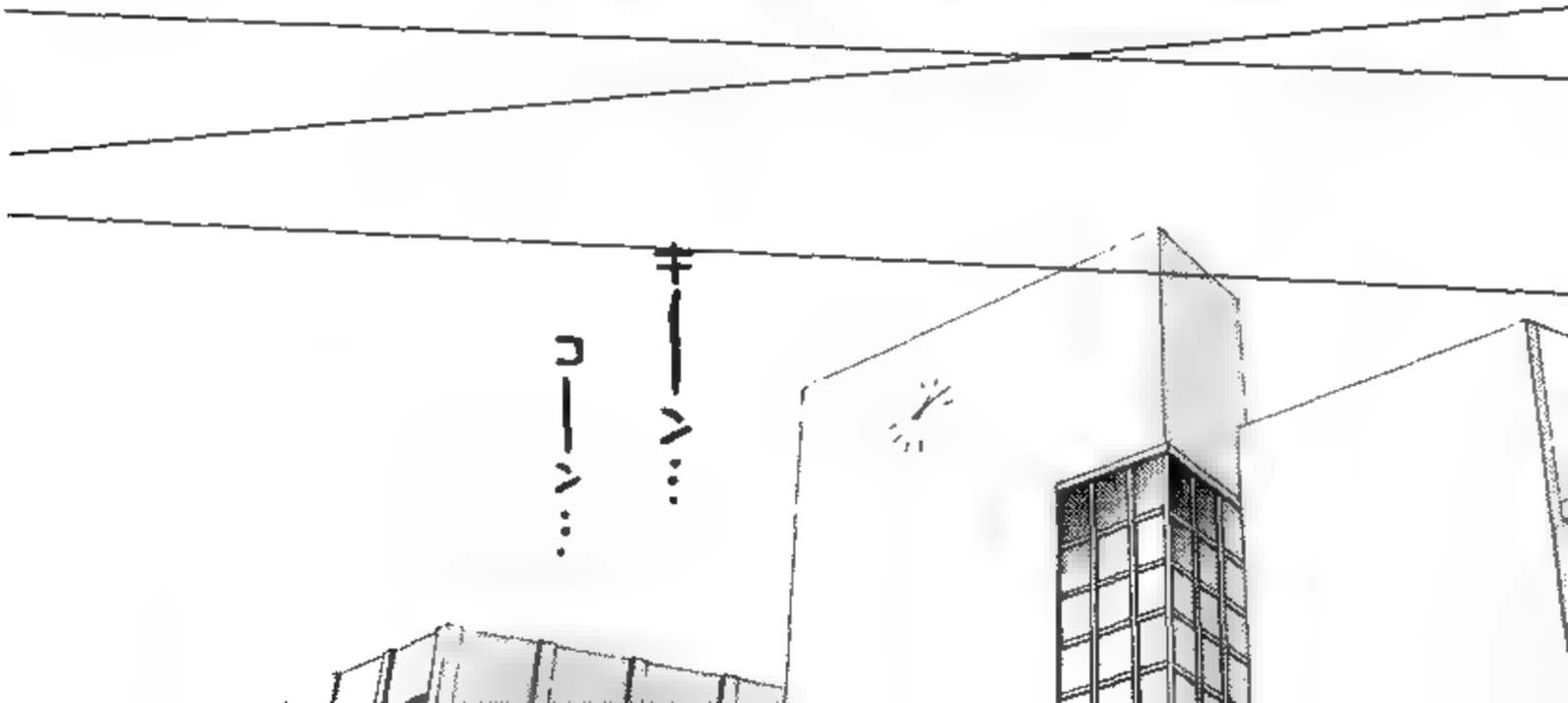
BUT...

KOBOSHI-CHAN...

SHE WAS ABLE TO GET BACK UP...
WITH HER OWN STRENGTH.
SFX: SIGH
I WILL TOO...
...I WILL TOO...!

START!
UMM...
.....
UGH...
UMM...
THAT'S
...

I'LL BE THINKING OF YOU ALL THE TIME ~SU!
I KNOW HOW TO SOLVE THAT!
EVERYTHING WAS COVERED IN CRAM SCHOOL!
SFX: DING DONG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コーン…

IT'S OVER...
MAN I'M EXHAUSTED!
.....
IT'S GOOD THAT WE HAD THE ORAL TEST AT THE SAME TIME, I FELT LESS NERVOUS.
REALLY? I WAS PRETTY NERVOUS ...
SINCE YOU TOOK THE EXAM, DOES IT MEAN THAT...
YOUR PARENTS...
HMM, WELL...
BUT THAT'S GREAT!
I'M SURE YOU PASSED!
THAT'S GREAT, ISN'T IT TEN-CHAN?
.....

I... DIDN'T WRITE MY NAME ON THE EXAM PAPER.
EH!
QUITE STUPID, ISN'T IT?
BUT THERE WERE A FEW QUESTIONS I DIDN'T KNOW...
...BUT...
I... JUST WANTED TO TRY AND DO THE ENTRANCE EXAM...
EH...
WHEN MUM SAID THAT I COULD GO TO JYODAI EVEN THOUGH IT WOULD BE HARD FOR US...

I ASKED MYSELF WHAT THE EXAM MEANS TO ME AFTER ALL...
BUT THEN I BECAME UNSURE...
I WAS REALLY HAPPY.
I JUST WANTED TO TAKE THE ENTRANCE EXAM.
I THOUGHT ABOUT IT FOR A LONG TIME AND THEN IT BECAME CLEAR TO ME...
I SHOULD'VE NOTICED IT EARLIER.
I HAD CONFUSED IT WITH THE AIM OF ALL MY EFFORTS...
TEN-CHAN...
I'M SORRY THAT I WAS JEALOUS OF YOU.
SO I'VE MADE A DECISION.

TEN-CHAN TOO...
TEN-CHAN...
...EVERY-BODY...
EVERYBODY CAN MAKE IT WHEN THEY GET UP ONTO THEIR FEET
JUST LIKE KOBOSHI ...
I MUST...
IT'S JUST ME... I CAN'T DO ANYTHING WITHOUT MISHA-SAN...
I...

SFX: GRIP

BECOME "HAPPY"!
I HAVE TO...
SAKE AND ALSO FOR...
FOR MISHA-SAN'S...
SAKE...
MY...
JUST LIKE THAT DEMON!
AND MISHA WILL ALSO REPEAT HER MISTAKE!
YOU'RE ACTING...
SHIA-SAN...

I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT.
BUT SHE HAS TO GO. IT DOESN'T MAKE A DIFFERENCE WHETHER SHE PASSES THE EXAM OR NOT.
I LIKE MISHA-SAN AND I WANT TO STAY WITH HER...
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
SHE CAN'T BE ERASED BECAUSE OF ME!
BUT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES...
I JUST CAN'T THINK OF A SOLUTION...
WILL BE LIKE IT WAS BEFORE...
BECAUSE NOTHING...
EVERYTHING IS SO DIFFICULT...
ANGELS WANT PEOPLE TO BE HAPPY...
...NONE...
AND THEY HELP THEM TO FIND THE RIGHT WAY WITHOUT ASKING FOR ANYTH NG IN RETURN. THAT IS THEIR TASK ~SU!

AH...!!

Lesson 47

How to End your Dream

I USED TO ALWAYS HATE MORNINGS...

SIGN: RESULTS OF THE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

KOTAROU-KUN...
AH... MISHA-SAN...!

SO? HOW WAS YOUR EXAM TODAY ~SU?
THE ONE FOR YOUR SECOND PREFER-RENCE...
THAT'S NOT IMPORTANT ANYMORE, MISHA-SAN! YOU KNOW I ALREADY PASSED THE FIRST EXAM!!

AND NOW...
IT'S YOUR TURN, MISHA-SAN!

MISHA-SAN...
YOU'VE PASSED YOUR EXAM SUCCESFULLY, SO OF COURSE YOU'RE REALLY HAPPY ~SU!
Y... YES ~SU!
YOU ALONE ARE THE SOURCE OF MY HAPPINESS!
I'VE SAID IT MANY TIMES ALREADY...
I LIKE YOU...

MISHA-SAN...
THE ANGEL POWER, YOU'RE ONLY ALLOWED TO USE IT ONCE...
ARE YOU GOING TO USE IT NOW?

THEN I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO SEE ANGELS AGAIN.

A HUMAN...
SHOULDN'T BE ABLE TO SEE ANGELS.
YESTERDAY WHEN YOU STOOD BY ME AND I DIDN'T WANT TO LISTEN TO YOU...
I NOTICED SOME THINGS.

THROUGH IT AND SHUT MYSELF OFF...
..BUT IN THE
STAND UP
ALONE.
THAT'S THE ONLY WAY THAT I CAN BECOME STRONGER...
EVERY PERSON MUST DO THIS, AS LONG AS THEY LIVE...

AND I'LL LIVE HERE.
...I'D BE HAPPY IF YOU COULD STAY BY MY SIDE FOR A LITTLE BIT.
DURING MY FIRST STEP INTO MY NEW LIFE...
MISHA-SAN...

I'D ALWAYS...
...IF I COULD...
SEE ANGELS DURING MY WHOLE LIFE...
...TO RESOLVE MY PROBLEMS.
...DEPEND ON THE "ANGELS"...
...NO MATTER WHETHER YOU'RE WITH ME OR NOT...
...I'D HOPE THAT YOU WOULD FREE ME.
JUST LIKE THE OTHER KOTAROU...
.....
...MISHA-SAN...
THERE-FORE...

KOTAROU-KUN...
IT SEEMS LIKE YOU'VE BEEN REBORN ~SU
...MISHA-SAN,
IT'S THANKS TO YOU.
IT'S LIKE YOU'RE A DIF-FRENT PERSON FROM YESTER-DAY ~SU
HAHAHA...
TEHEHE...
ANGELS SUPPORT HUMANS ON THEIR SEARCH FOR HAPPINESS...
...WITHOUT ASKING FOR ANYTHING IN RETURN...
WELL...

SFX: OH, NO
はわわ
...WHICH JUST GOES TO PROVE...
...THAT I'M A SILLY ANGEL!
...FOR SOMETHING IN RETURN, THAT IS YOUR LOVE...
IF I COULD STAY WITH YOU I'D WISH...
BUT SINCE YOU LIKE ME SO MUCH...
I ALSO REALLY LIKE YOU, MISHA-SAN.
SFX: GLITTER
I'M VERY HAPPY.

I USED TO ALWAYS HATE MORNINGS...
SFX SPARKLE

EVERY MORNING I TOLD MYSELF THAT I COULD ONLY LIVE ALONE...
...AND HATED MYSELF EVEN MORE FOR THINKING SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
BUT...
ONE DAY AN "ANGEL" APPEARED IN FRONT OF ME...
...AND RELEASED MY LOCKED SOUL.

BEFORE.

SFX: BANG
MISHA-
SAN...

MISHA-SAN...
.....
IT WAS JUST FOR A MOMENT, BUT...
...I SAW YOU!
YOU WERE A...
...SNOW-WHITE ANGEL...

CONGRAT-
ULATIONS!
ARISHA-
SAN!

KOTAROU -CHAN!
SFX: HAHA
NOW WE HAVE THAT BEHIND US TOO.
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT...
AT LEAST WE NOW KNOW...
WHICH SCHOOLS WE'LL BE GOING TO.
OHHH
SFX: UGAHHH
DAI-CHAN...
WE'RE REALLY SORRY THAT THE PUBLIC SCHOOL DIDN'T WORK OUT FOR YOU...
DON'T TALK ABOUT IT!
DON'T TALK ABOUT SCHOOOOOOOOL!

DAI-CHAN IS ALSO GOING TO JYODAI NOW WITH KOTAROU-CHAN.
TEN-CHAN AND I ARE GOING TO MISAKI MIDDLE SCHOOL WHICH ISN'T FAR FROM YOUR SCHOOL. SHALL WE WALK TO SCHOOL TOGETHER AGAIN?
SURE!
うわあああ
SFX: WAAAH!
A NEW HAIR-STYLE, A NEW IMAGE. UEMATSU SEEMS TO BE HERSELF AGAIN...
THERE WERE TIMES WHEN I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO HER.
WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO TELL HER THAT YOU LIKE HER?!
DON'T TALK SO LOUDLY, IDIOT!
I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH COURAGE AT THE MOMENT
HEY KOTAROU!
IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY TODAY, ISN'T IT?
YEAH.

SFX: PUFF
HERE YOU GO... PRIMROSES!
NOW... MISHA-SAN HAS ALSO DISAPPEARED ALONG WITH SHIA-SAN...
AND THEY DIDN'T EVEN SAY ANYTHING! THEY JUST LEFT... ISN'T THAT MEAN...
DON'T YOU THINK SO, KOTAROU?
.....
SHIA-SAN...

IF AN ANGEL IS STANDING BY SOMEBODY WHO IS SEARCHING FOR HAPPINESS..
THEN A DEMON IS SURELY THERE AS WELL...
...TO STAND BY SOMEBODY WHO STILL HESITATES AND DOESN'T KNOW WHERE THE R PATH LEADS TO.
I'VE OFTEN HAD THE FEELING THAT THEY WERE LIKE MOTHERS TO ME...
BUT MAYBE...

THEY WERE THAT TOO.
OIII!
KOTAROU-CHAN!
KOTAROU! LET'S GO!
I'LL...
HURRY UP HIGUCHI!
INTO THE FUTURE!
TAKE ANOTHER STEP...

SFX: AH

!!

!

OI! WHAT'S WRONG?

HURRY UP!

SFX: TURN

ALTHOUGH I MAY SOMETIMES HESITATE...

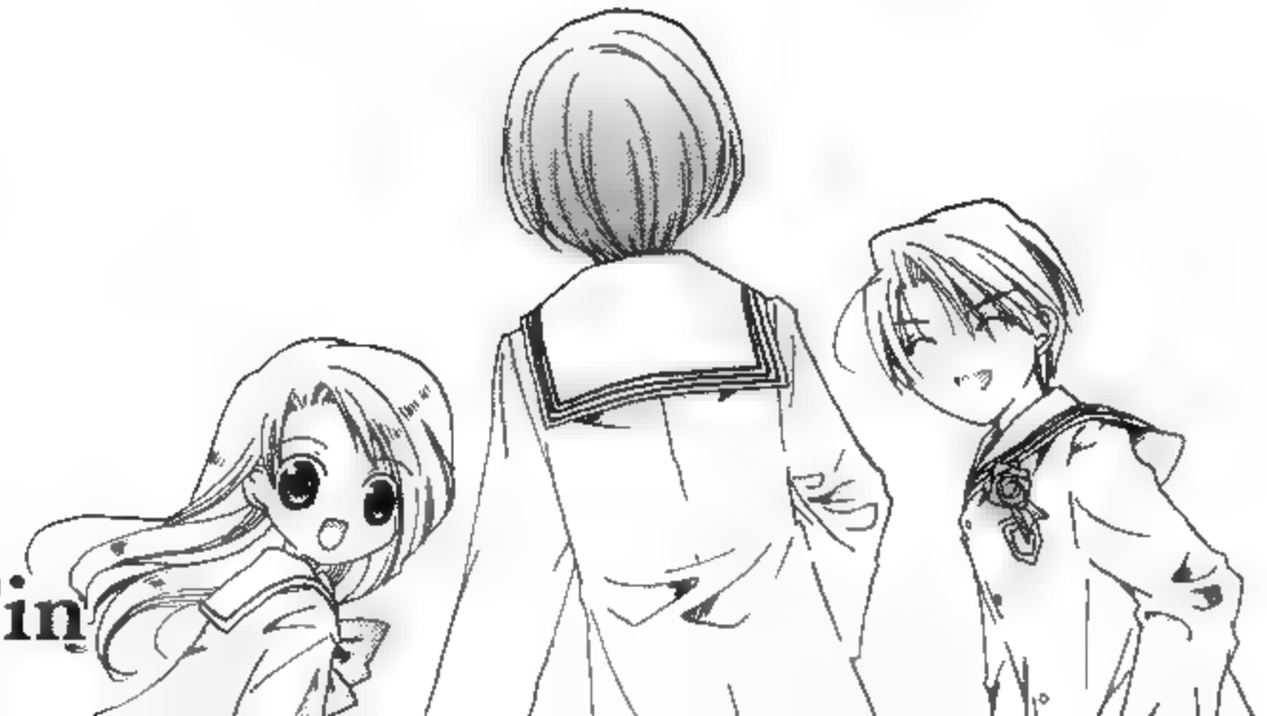
I'LL ALWAYS WALK ON...

I'LL WALK ON...

...LET'S GO!

YEAH...

...TOGETHER WITH THE ANGEL WHO FELL IN LOVE WITH ME.



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This is the eighth volume of Pita Ten!!! It's the last one of the current story! I sincerely thank you for you reading all the volumes!

Now the story of Misha and Kotarou is finished.

Pita Ten is my first manga which spans several volumes. At the beginning the work was really, really difficult... But because of that it has become an unforgettable piece of work for me. Even the anime Series of Pita Ten, which I'll remember fondly, retains the storyline of the manga! I'm really happy that I was able – with help from many people – to finish my story.

Finally I want to thank all the fans and people who were involved with all my heart! As I said, the story of Misha and Kotarou is finished. But I really hope that the two of them and their friends will always have a little place in your hearts. :)

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I hope that you've enjoyed the series and now that Syuura has completed Pita Ten (which is our first completed project) you can look forward to more new projects from us! (Which will hopefully be soon... if only we had more Japanese translators *coughhinthintcough*)

~ Kokoro-chan, Syuura Project Manager ~\(^o^)/~